

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that Claims 11, 13, and 14 are allowed.

Claim 1 is amended to include the allowable limitation of Claim 11. Claim 11 is canceled without prejudice. No new matter is believed to be added upon entry of the amendment. Upon entry of the amendment, Claims 1-10 and 12-18 are pending.

The rejection of Claims 1-10, 12, and 15-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over the disclosure of Yagi (US 2003/0138717) is obviated by amendment.

The amendment of Claim 1 to include the allowable limitation of original Claim 11 obviates the rejection based on Yagi.

Applicants kindly request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

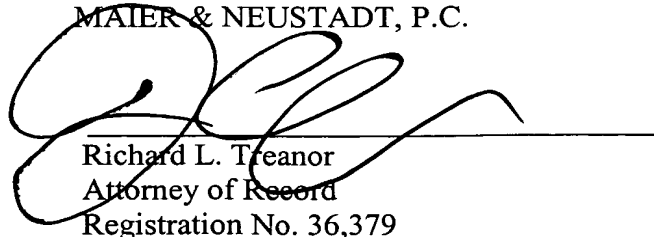
Applicants believe that the present application is now in a condition for allowance. Applicants request that the Examiner acknowledge the same. Applicants also request that the Examiner acknowledge consideration of the "List of Related Cases" cited in the Information Disclosure Statements filed June 23, 2005; February 10, 2006; and March 24, 2006. In view of the amendment to the claims and the preceding remarks, Applicants believe that the present application is now in a condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the present response and believe that a discussion would be helpful in advancing this application toward allowance, she is encouraged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the below-listed telephone number.

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